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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR TODMAN'S PRESS BACKGROUNDER, JUNE 14, 10 PM

FOLLOWING IS THE TRANSCRIPT OF AMBASSADOR TODMAN'S PRESS
BACKGROUNDER JUNE 14.

AMBASSADOR TODMAN:

WELL IT WAS A FULL DAY. YOU KNOW THAT THE SECRETARY
SPOKE TO YOU BEFORE HE GOT OFF THE PLANE AND WENT STRAIGHT
INTO THE MEETING FOR THE ENTIRE TIME OF THE INFORMAL
DIALOGUE. HE GOT THERE IN TIME FOR THE ELECTIONS OF THE
MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AND LISTENED TO A SPEECH BY THE
ARGENTINE PUTTING A LOT OF STRESS ON TERRORISM AND THE
IMPOSSIBILITY OF CARRYING OUT RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS THE
WAY THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT DONE. ONE FACES SUCH
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A SITUATION BY WHAT HE CALLED CRIMINALS WHO WERE
TRYING TO DESTROY THE SOCIETY. THEN A SPEECH BY THE
CHILEAN WHICH CITED EXTENSIVELY THE SPEECH MADE BY
SECRETARY VANCE IN ATLANTA NAD REFERRED TO THE FACT THAT
THINGS ARE NOT PERFECT IN THE UNITED STATES. THAT HE WAS WITHOUT
SIN THROW OUT THE FIRST STONE AND WHO ARE WE TO BE ACCUSING
OTHERS. FURTHERMORE HE THOUGHT THAT AS WE GOT INTO A STATE

OF DETENTE WITH THE SOVIET UNION WE WERE IN FACT MAKING
IT POSSIBLE FOR THE SOVIETS AND THE COMMUNISTS AROUND THE
WORLD TO DESTROY THE VERY GOVERNMENTS WHO ARE OUR BEST FRIENDS.

THERE WERE SEVERAL REFERENCES TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE PERSONALLY
BUT IN THE CONTEXT PRIMARILY OF CITING THE ATLANTA
SPEECH. THEN MR. VANCE SPOKE WITH A VERY STRONG
DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, INSISTING THAT ALL OF THE MEMBER
NATIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION PLEDGE TO SUPPORT HUMAN RIGHTS.
IF A GOVERNMENT DOES NOT SEE TO THE BASIC LIBERTY, THE BASIC
DIGNITY OF ITS PEOPLE, (THEN) IT CERTAINLY IS NOT COMPLYING
WITH ITS INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS. HE GAVE A VERY STRONG
BUT A VERY CLEAR SPEECH

THE SECOND PART OF THE EMPHASIS WAS ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES BY COMBINING THE THREE COUNCILS
INTO ONE, BY GETTING RID OF ARTICLE 8 WHICH RESTRICTS THE
POSSIBILITY OF MEMBERSHIP, AND BY CUTTING AWAY SOME OF THE BUR-
EAUCRACY THAT IS KEEPING THE ORGANIZATION FROM DOING ITS WORK
PROPERLY. HE ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION WOULD BE
ASKING THE CONGRESS FOR 500 THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR A CONTRIBUTION
TO THE CULTURAL FUND AND WOULD ASK FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO MILLION
DOLLARS FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES IN THE EDUCATIONAL AND
SCIENTIFIC AREA. HE MENTIONED AGAIN THAT NO COUNTRY SHOULD
PAY MORE THAN 49 PCNT OF THE BUDGET OF AN ORGANIZATION, BUT
GIVEN OUR WILLINGNESS TO REDUCE FROM 66 TO 49 PCNT OVER A FIVE-
TO TEN-YEAR PERIOD, THERE WOULD BE NO WEAKENING OF THE ORGANI-
ZATION AS THE RESULT OF OUR REDUCTION. OTHER COUNTRIES COULD
INCREASE GRADUALLY THEIR CONTRIBUTION AND KEEP THE ORGANIZATION
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GOING STRONG.

THE SECRETARY ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT, AS OF TODAY, THE US WOULD
BE WILLING TO OPEN THE COUNTRY TO INVESTIGATION BY THE HUMAN
RIGHTS COMMISSION OF ANY ACCUSATIONS THAT SEEM CALLED FOR. HE
THOUGHT THAT THIS SHOULD BE TRUE FOR ALL COUNTRIES. THE INTER-
AMERICAN COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO GO
INTO ALL THE COUNTRIES TO INVESTIGATE ANY CHARGES OF HUMAN
RIGHTS VIOLATIONS. THE UNITED STATES WAS PREPARED TO OPEN
UP ITS TERRITORY TO AHAT.

THE JAMAICAN GAVE A GOOD SPEECH ALONG THE SAME LINES, SAYING
THAT IT HAD INVITED INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO COME IN AND
SEE; AND THAT IF COUNTRIES REALLY BELIEVED IN HUMAN RIGHTS AS
THEY SAY THEY DO, THE BEST WAY TO SHOW THIS WOULD BE TO HAVE
THEIR COUNTRIES OPEN TO THIS KIND OF INSPECTION.

THERE WERE A COUPLE OF OTHER AFTER THAT. I
THINK URUGUAY SPOKE. WE LEFT AND WENT TO A MEETING

WITH THE PRIME MINISTER OF GRENADA. WE LEFT AFTER THE JAMAICAN, YES. AMBASSADOR MCGEE REMAINED IN THE CHAIR, AND I DON'T HAVE THE DETAILS ON WHO SPOKE AFTER THAT.

Q: WAS THERE ANY REBUTTAL BY ANY DELEGATE, BY CARIAJAL AFTER THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH?

A: NO ONE SPOKE A SECOND TIME. THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO SPOKE AFTER.

Q: WAS THERE ANY DIRECT REACTION TO VANCE'S SPEECH?

A: WELL RECEIVED FROM A FEW PEOPLE WE WERE ABLE TO SPEAK TO AFTERWARDS. WITHIN THE FLOOR, NO. EXCEPT THE JAIMAICAN SPEECH WAS OBVIOUSLY ONE ALONG THE SAME LINES BUT WITHOUT SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO VANCE'S SPEECH. I SUSPECT THAT TOMORROW WE WILL PROBABLY GET SOME REFERENCES TO SPEECHES THAT WERE MADE TONIGHT.
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Q: DID ANY OF THE SPEECHES RECEIVE ANY APPLAUSE?

A: NO APPLAUSE.

Q: WHO SPOKE FOR THE CHILEANS? WAS IT CARVAJAL? A. YES.

Q: WAS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO YOUR COMMENDABLE DECISION TO GIVE OUT THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH?

A: NOT THAT I HAVE HEARD OF. NO, I WOULD NOT THINK SO.

Q: CARVAJAL REFERRED TO THE REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD, WHICH HE CONSIDERED TO BE TOP SECRET, AND THEREFORE COULD NOT BE GIVEN OUT.

TODMAN TO CARTER: WHY DON'T YOU REPEAT THAT?

HODDING CARTER: HE SIMPLY QUOTED FROM THE FINDING THAT THAT PARTICULAR BOARD HAD COME UP WITH A REPORT WHICH SUGGESTED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM DIRECTIVE FROM THE SOVIET UNION WAS AT THE ROOT OF THE POOBLEM IN THE HEMISPHERE IN TERMS OF TERRORISM AND THAT THERE WAS AN ASSUALT ON THE HEMISPHERE.

Q: WHAT YEAR WAS THE REPORT?

A: LAST YEAR IN 1976.

Q: WHY DID HE OBJECT?

A: I DON'T KNOW WHY HE DID THAT.

Q: THAT REPORT HAD A US CHAIRMA, BUT DID THE US ACTUALLY
APPROVE ALL THE CONTENTS OF THAT REPORT?

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A: WELL, THERE IS A US CHAIRMAN. BUT THEY ACT INDEPENDENTLY.
THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT TAKE A STAND ON THE REPORT.

Q: YOU JUST SPENT ABOUT TWO HOURS WITH THE VENEZUELANS. WHAT
WAS THE MEETING ABOUT?

A: THE SECRETARY IS MEETING WITH ALL OF THE FOREIGN
MINISTERS HERE, AND THIS WAS ONE OF THESE MEETINGS. WE MET
EARLIER WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF COSTA RICA, AND WE MET
NOW WITH THE VENEZUELANS. WE TALKED A GREAT DEAL ABOUT
HUMAN RIGHTS. VENEZUELA FEELS THE SAME WAY THAT WE DO
ON THESE ISSUES. WE WENT BEYOND THAT INTO THE NORTH-
SOUTH QUESTION, WHICH AGAIN IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THEM.
YOU KNOW THAT VENEZUELA WAS CO-CHAIRMAN OF CIEC,
AND WE'RE INTERESTED, AS THEY ARE, IN SEEING WHAT HAPPENS
TO THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE NOW THAT CIEC AND THE CIEC
MEETINGS ARE FINISHED. WE TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE
PREPARATIONS FOR THE FORTHCOMING VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT
OF VENEZUELA TO WASHINGTON IN TWO WEEKS.
HE WILL BE MEETING WITH ALL OF THEM, SO THERE IS NOTHING UNUSUAL.

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Q: DID YOU TALK ABOUT PANAMA?

A: YES, GENERALLY. NOT IN ANY DEPTH.

Q: ON THAT SUBJECT, CAN WE EXPECT ANY BREAKTHROUGH AT THIS CONFERENCE?

A: I DON'T THINK SO. FRANKLY, THE SECRETARY IS USING HIS PRESENCE HERE FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE BILATERALS, TO TALK TO THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF ALL THE COUNTRIES WHO ARE HERE. YOU NEVER KNOW HOW THE CONVERSATION IS GOING TO RANGE. IT IS NOT VERY MUCH TIME, BUT NOTHING IS GOING TO BE SETTLED HERE. WHAT HAPPENS IN PANAMA IS GOING TO HAPPEN IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

Q: HOW WILL YOU HANDLE THE REPORT ON PANAMA AT THIS CONFERENCE?

A: WELL, OBVIOUSLY THERE ARE TWO OPTIONS, A SEPARATE REPORT OR A JOINT REPORT. WE DON'T KNOW AS OF THIS DATE WHICH ONE IT WILL BE.

Q: IN THE PAST FEW YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN JOINT REPORTS ON PANAMA.
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WILL THAT BE THE CASE THIS YEAR?

A: THAT IS JUST WHAT I JUST SAID. AT THIS POINT I DON'T KNOW WHICH IT WILL BE.

Q: IN THE TALKS WITH THE COSTA RICANS, DID THE VESCO CASE COME UP?

A: NO IT DIDN'T AT ALL. THE PRESIDENT HAS SAID THAT VESCO HAS TO LEAVE. AND HE REPEATED THAT. I READ SOME PLACE WHERE VESCO HAD SAID NO, AND THE PRESIDENT HAS COME BACK AND SAID YES, HE HAS TO GO.

Q: ALSO YOU MET WITH PRIME MINISTER GAIRY? HOW DID THAT GO?

A: VERY WELL. THE PRIME MINISTER WAS TELLING US ABOUT THE NEEDS OF THE ISLAND FOR DEVELOPMENT. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS.

Q: DID THE REACTION OF THE ARGENTINES AND THE CHILEANS SURPRISE YOU AT ALL?

A: NOT PARTICULARLY, NO.

Q: DO YOU EXPECT THIS ISSUE TO CONTINUE?

A: OF COURSE. THIS IS THE DOMINATING ISSUE.

Q: WHO'S GOING TO BE SITTING IN THERE TOMORROW? WON'T THE SECRETARY BE LEAVING?

A: NO THE SECRETARY WILL BE THERE FOR SOME OF THIS. THE INFORMAL DIALOGUE, YOU SEE, IS REALLY THE HEART OF IT. HE WILL BE THERE TOMORROW.

Q: WHEN YOU SAY THIS IS THE DOMINATING ISSUE. THIS IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GOING TO GO ON AND NOT BE RESOLVED AT THE OAS?

A: NO, THE LINES OF THE COUNTRIES ARE DIVIDED. I DON'T HAVE A COUNT ON HOW MANY AND WHICH SIDE. BUT THERE ARE CLEAR LINES OF DIVISION ON THIS ISSUE. IT WILL NOT BE RESOLVED, PROBABLY WON'T BE RESOLVED AT THIS MEETING. WE CERTAINLY AREN'T GOING TO GIVE ON THE PRINCIPLE. THIS IS FUNDAMENTAL TO OUR WAY OF THINKING.

Q: DO YOU BELIEVE THE LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS, THOSE DOWN SOUTH, HAVE NOW GOT THE MESSAGE THAT PRESIDENT CARTER IS REALLY INTERESTED IN HUMAN RIGHTS?

A: I THINK THE KIND OF REACTION WE GOT TODAY IS AN INDICATION THA THEY'VE GOT THE MESSAGE. AND IF THEY DON'T HAVE IT YET, THEY WILL GET IT.

Q: WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY VARIOUS "US OFFICIALS" THAT THERE'S CERTAIN CONFUSION ON THE LATIN AMERICAN SIDE AS TO WHAT IT ALL MEANS. NOW IS IT CLEAR YET WHAT IT MEANS IN TERMS OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS OR AT LEAST THE REFUSAL TO GIVE ECONOMIC COOPERATION. IS THAT AREA CLEAR YET?

A: ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE SECFTARY STRESSED IN HIS ATLANTA SPEECH IS THAT YOU HAVE GOT TO LOOK AT THE PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES IN EACH CASE. AS FAR AS THE PRINCIPLE ITSELF IS CONCERNED IT'S FIRM. THE QUESTION ON HOW IT IS APPLIED IN EACH PARTICULAR CASE DEPENDS ON THE PARTICULAR FACTS IN THAT CASE.

Q: HOW IS THIS TO BE INTERPRETED? WHAT IS A CONSISTENT PATTERN OF GROSS VIOLATIONS?

A: WHAT IS A CONSISTENT PATTERN OF A GROSS VIOLATION?

OBVIOUSLY, THERE WILL NOT BE ANY EXCEPT, AS YOU KNOW, EVEN
IN THE CASE OF THE HARKIN'S AMENDMENT. IT SAYS IF IT IS
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DIRECTED PARTICULARLY TO THE NEEDY. THE SECRETARY WAS
QUITE CLEAR IN SAYING THAT ONE HAS TO ASK ONESELF, ARE YOU
GOING TO HAVE THE NEEDY SUFFER BY DENYING THEM AID FOR REASONS
OVER WHICH THEY HAVE NO CONTROL?
SEVERAL FACTORS WILL GO INTO THIS. BUT THEY WILL NEVER BE
BECAUSE ANY GIVE IN TERMS OF THE PRINCIPLE OF PROMOTING HUMAN
RIGHTS. BUT THAT IS THE NAME OF THE GAME, PROMOTING
HUMAN RIGHTS AS WELL AS PROTECTING.

Q: HAS ANYBODY WITH WHOM YOU HAVE TALKED RAISED THE
QUESTION OF WHAT WOULD BE THE ATTITUDE OF THE ADMINISTRATION
TO A COUNTRY LIKE CHILE IF IT WERE STRATEGICALLY AS
IMPORTANT AS SOUTH KOREA?

A: YOU WOULD HAVE A WHOLE DIFFERENT SET OF FACTS, SO
WE WOULD PROBABLY BE LOOKING AT THEM DIFFERENTLY. BUT IN THE
CASE OF KOREA, AS FAR AS THE INSISTENCE ON THE PRINCIPLE,
THERE IS NO QUESTION, IT IS STILL THERE. OBVIOUSLY IF YOU
HAVE A SITUATION THAT RISKS THE POTENTIAL OF BREAKING OUT INTO
WAR,...YOU GET INTO WAR. THERE IS NOTHING THAT DESTROYS HUMAN
RIGHTS MORE BECAUSE YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT ENDING LIFE, AND YOU
HAVE GOT TO WEIGHT THAT IN TERMS OF THE TOTAL DESTRUCTION AS
AGAINST THE WAY OF ACCOMMODATING ON THE SMALL ISSUES.

Q: YOU SAID THAT AS FAR AS THE SOUTHERN CONE IS CONCERNED
THAT IF THEY DON'T HAVE THE MESSAGE YET, THEY ARE GOING TO
GET IT. DOES THAT MEAN THAT THE NEXT TIME THERE IS A
VOTE IN THE MULTILATERAL BANK, SAY, FOR AN ARGENTINE LOAN,
THAT THE FIRST TIME WE SAID LOOK WE WANT TO BRING THIS UP, BUT
OK WE ARE GOING TO VOTE FOR IT, THE NEXT TIME WE ARE NOT GOING
TO GO FOR IT?

A: IT COULD HAPPEN. IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE LOAN IS FOR
AND HOW IT RELATES, BECAUSE THERE IS THIS QUESTION OF
GREAT CONCERN ABOUT HELPING THE NEEDY, ABOUT NOT LETTING
THE POOR PEOPLE SUFFER.
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Q: BUT IT SOUNDS VERY MUCH IN THE SPEECH AS THOUGH
YOU WERE SUPPORTING THE HARKIN AMENDMENT AFTER HAVING
OPPOSED IT IN THE HEARINGS.

A: ONCE IT IS A LAW YOU ALWAYS SUPPORT IT.

Q: COULD YOU TELL ME IN JUST TWO SENTENCES, WHAT DID YOU DISCUSS WITH THE COSTA RICAN FOREIGN MINISTER? HUMAN RIGHTS ALSO?

A: YES, HUMAN RIGHTS, ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY HUMAN RIGHTS WITH THE COSTA RICANS. THAT IS THE ISSUE OF THE DAY. MCGEE

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Q: THEY DO NOT HAVE A HUMAN RIGHTS' PROBLEM.

A: NO THEY DON'T, ON THE CONTRARY, WHICH IS ONE OF THE REASONS, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE NEED TO DO AND ARE TRYING TO DO: TO FIND WAYS TO STRENGTHEN THE INTERNATIONAL CONCERN, TO GET OTHER PEOPLE GOING WITH US. IF WE TALK TO PEOPLE WHO DO NOT HAVE PROBLEMS ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND GET THEIR IDEAS ABOUT HOW TO PROCEED, WE MAY VERY MUCH BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO ADVANCE THE CAUSE. SO THIS THE VALUE OF THE DISCUSSION WITH COSTA RICA, WHERE THERE'S NO PROBLEM. WE WERE ASKING HOW WE ACCOMPLISH TO GETHER THE THINGS ON WHICH WE BOTH AGREE.

Q: ARE YOU SEEKING A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION? IS THERE ANY WAY YOU CAN MEASURE WHO IS FOR AND WHO IS AGAINST?

A: IT IS HARD TO TELL DURING A SECRET VOTE. WE ARE GOING TO BE TALKING AROUND TO PEOPLE ABOUT IT AND SEE THE WAY IT IS SHAPING UP.

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Q: CAN YOU TELL US ANYTHING ON THE COSTA RICAN IDEA OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN RIGHTS?

A: IN COSTA RICA THE COMMISSIONER REPLIES NOT TO THE OAS BUT TO THE UN. IT IS ALL HUMAN RIGHTS, BUT WE WERE FOCUSING MORE ON THE OAS TONIGHT.

Q: DID YOU COME UP WITH ANY CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS?

A: NO WE JUST TALKED ABOUT THE KINDS OF THINGS WE MIGHT LOOK AT; AND WE'LL BE LOOKING AT THINGS THE NEXT DAY OR SO.

Q: WILL YOU BE LEAVING AT THE END OF THE SESSION?

A: NO I WILL BE LEAVING WITH THE SECRETARY WHEN HE DOES. AMBASSADOR MCGEE WILL BE HERE.

Q: CAN YOU EXPLAIN ABOUT THE SORT OF TRADE-OFF THAT WE'VE HEARD MENTIONED: THAT IF THE COMMISSION IS STRENGTHENED, AND YOU HAVE A STRONGER MULTILATERAL BODY, THERE WILL BE LESS BILATERAL DISCUSSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS?

A: I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WILL BE LESS BILATERAL DISCUSSION. I THINK IT WILL OBVIOUSLY BE A GREATER RECOGNITION OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS INVENTED. THEY ARE NOT NORMS THAT WE ARE ESTABLISHING. THEY ARE UNIVERSALLY, INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ONES. THEN IF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ITSELF IS DOING THE THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE TO PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS, WE WOULD BE PARTICIPATING IN THIS EFFORT AND NOT BE OUT THERE BY OURSELVES. THIS WILL NOT MEAN THAT WE WILL BE DOING ANY LESS. WHAT WE DO WILL BE DUE IN PART TO A CONCERTED EFFORT BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN THAT DIRECTION.

Q: THIS OBVIOUSLY HAS TO COME TO SOME SORT OF VOTE OR
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SOME KIND OF COMMITMENT OR SOMEKIND OF CHANGE IN THE

COMMISSION. DO YOU THINK THAT'S GOING TO COME THIS TIME?

A: I DON'T KNOW, BECAUSE WE HAVE NOT TAKEN ENOUGH SOUNDINGS YET TO TELL WHAT THE DISTRIBUTION IS. WE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO SEE THE COMMISSION STRENGTHENED. WE'D LIKE TO SEE IT HAVE MORE RESOURCES: WE'D LIKE TO SEE OTHER COUNTRIES ACCEPT IT INSIDE THEIR COUNTRIES TO INVESTIGATE MATTERS, AND WE HAVE MADE THAT CLEAR. WE ARE VERY HAPPY TO HAVE OTHER PEOPLE SAY THAT. I THINK WE WILL HEAR MORE STATEMENTS ALONG THAT LINE, AND WE WILL BE TALKING TO OTHER DELEGATIONS AND SEEING THE WAY IT'S SHAPING UP.

Q: COULD YOU GIVE US A SCORECARD OF WHO YOU SEE SUPPORTING YOU?

A: I CAN'T DO THAT BECAUSE WE HAVE NOT DONE ENOUGH EXPLORATION AS YET TO SAY WHO IS FOR. WE HAVE SOME IDEAS, BUT THEY ARE TOO TENTATIVE.

Q: WILL WE GET THE SCORE IN THE END?

A: WE WILL SEE IF THERE IS AN END. I WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU A TENTATIVE SCORE AT THAT TIME. BUT THERE WILL PROBABLY BE A LOT OF FENCE SITTERS. I DON'T THINK THERE IS GOING TO BE A STRAIGHT LINE DOWN THE MIDDLE, AND THEY ARE ALL HERE OR THERE, BECAUSE THERE ARE ADVANCED AREAS IN ALL OF THIS.

Q: ISN'T IT HARD TO GET ALL OF THESE COUNTRIES TO BE ON THE SIDE OF THE UNITED STATES, AGAINST EACH OTHER?

A: I DON'T THINK SO BECAUSE THEY ARE DEALING WITH SOMETHING TO WHICH THEY ARE ALL PLEDGED IN THE UN AND THE OAS. THIS IS A PART OF THE WHOLE THING. THE CHARTER OF THE OAS, THE UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS DECLARATION IN THE UN, AND EVEN CHILE WOULD NOT SAY THAT IT IS AGAINST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IT. THE ONES WHO COME OUT AGAINST HUMAN RIGHTS, WELL THEY DON'T COME OUT AGAINST THE IDEA OF HUMAN RIGHTS. THEY SAY WE CAN'T DO IT NOW FOR THIS OR THAT PARTICULAR REASON, AND ALSO THEY WOULD BE IN A VERY DIFFICULT POSITION INTERNALLY, TO THEIR OWN PEOPLE, TO SAY "WE ARE NOT FOR YOUR HUMAN RIGHTS."

Q: THEN WHY ARE THERE SOME WHO AREN'T WITH YOU; THOSE WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ACCUSED OF VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS?

A: WELL I SUPPOSE THAT IT IS A QUESTION OF TIMING OR EMPHASIS OR TACTICS. BUT AS LONG AS THEY ARE FACED FOR EXAMPLE, THE CHILEAN SAID, WITH THE COMMUNIST MENACE, THEY HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY PROTECT THEIR OWN

INTERNAL STABILITY FIRST.

Q: WHAT ABOUT THE SILENT MAJORITY OF 300,000,000? NO ONE EVER TALKS ABOUT THAT SILENT MAJORITY.

A: WELL IT IS BEGINNING TO COME. YOU CAN READ IT IN A LOT OF THESE COUNTRIES. THE PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO TALK.

Q: WHY DO YOU STILL HAVE ALMOST 100 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE PIPELINE IN MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CHILE?, ARE YOU CONTINUING WITH IT?

A: I WILL HAVE TO CHECK THAT. I DID NOT REALIZE THEY HAD THAT. 100 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE PIPELINE TO CHILE? I WILL CHECK ON THAT.

Q: VANCE SAID THE IAHRC CAN NOW GO TO THE STATES. IS THERE ANY SUGGESTION IT COUNLDN'T BEFORE?

A: NO HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS WAS A WAY OF INVITING OTHERS TO SAY, OPEN UP.

GOOD NIGHT.

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